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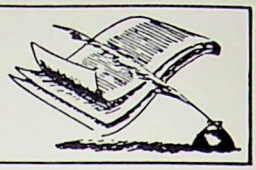

TO FUTURE FARMERS

By J. Earl Frick, Jr.

Your State FFA Convention will be held at Clemson University June 4-6, 1975. National FFA Vice President Bart Brashears will participate in the convention this year. Bart has a small beef operation in his home state of Oklahoma, and has had extensive business experience off the farm in local agribusiness firms. Please contact your chapter president and advisor to make sure your chapter is represented at the convention this year. Each chapter is encouraged to send two delegates plus all contest and award winners.

The Cherry Grove FFA Camp will be open the first three weeks in June for regular camping sessions. The camp will not open in August this year, so mail your reservations soon to attend camp in June. Sports, swimming and leadership training will be offered to campers, and everyone who attends can be assured of having a good week.

Plans are also under way to conduct a four-day leadership conference for chapter officers at the FFA camp June 24-27. A National FFA Officer is scheduled to participate in the leadership conference this year. Plan now to attend.

Most of the FFA contest and awards programs are due now. Every member should be able to apply for at least one of the proficiency awards or other contests sponsored by the FFA. Your advisor will assist you in completing the applications which can be found in the Chapter Guide to FFA Activities.

TO YOUNG FARMERS

By Hugh P. McClimon

The State Association finalized another successful year with the 27th Annual State Convention. An outstanding program of vital information was presented during the Opening Session. The Banquet was attended by 340 persons, many of whom also enjoyed excellent entertainment in a Variety Show. During the Breakfast Session the constitutional changes were approved designating the officer positions as President, President-Elect and Vice-Presidents. Another outstanding Executive Committee was elected to serve you during 1975.

All Young Farmers and Chapters are reminded of the May 31st deadline for submitting membership dues. Membership lists and dues must be in the District Offices by this date in order for members and chapters to remain in good standing with the Association. Each chapter should make every effort to increase its membership. Each State Officer has accepted the challenge to try to bring in at least one new chapter.

The Executive Committee is very much interested in implementing plans for a Summer Farm Tour. This kind of activity has proved very successful in other States and can be an asset to our program. Consideration is being given to a possible weekend event with one or more chapters serving as hosts for a meal and tours of several farms. Chapters will receive more information as soon as plans are complete.

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Young Farmer State Leaders 1975

State officers for the South Carolina Association of Young Farmers for 1975 are, from left: Douglas A. Reeves, Reevesville, President; Theron L. DeWitt, Jr., Darlington, President-Elect; Tolbert Mitchell, Saluda, District I Vice President; Allen L. Beer, Richburg, District II Vice President; Lloyd B. (Mickey) Mixon, Lynchburg, District III Vice President; and Walter Dantzler, Santee, District IV Vice President. Election came at the close of the group's annual convention held in Columbia in January.

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Contact them. They will be happy to participate in any of your chapter's activities.

Participants In National Educational Institute

The group shown above represented the S. C. Association of Young Farmers at the Eighth National Young Farmer Educational Institute held in Oklahoma City in December. They are, left to right: Front row, Margie Arant, Bowman; R. F. Taylor, Lake View; Fredda Taylor, Lake View; A. L. Felder, Bowman; John Faye Berry, Ward; Cornelia Bouknight, Irmo; Brady Bouknight, Irmo; and Don Morris, Florence. Second row, Todd Arant, Bowman; Pat Nance, Lake View; Carole McClimon, Anderson; Sharron DeWitt, Darlington; Ann Reeves, Reevesville; Louise Austin, Bowman; and Pauline Patrick, Bowman. Third row, Danny Nance, Lake View; Hugh McClimon, Anderson; Theron DeWitt, Darlington; Doug Reeves, Reevesville; Timrod Austin, Robert Shuler, and Larry Patrick, all of Bowman. Donald Quattlebaum of Pendleton was absent when the photo was made. There were 24 in the delegation attending from South Carolina. Todd Arant and John Faye Berry served on the National Executive Committee. The Institute will be held in Atlanta, Georgia December 13 — December 17, 1975. This is a golden opportunity for a large group of South Carolina Young Farmers and Young Farmerettes to attend this national event. Colorado received the bid for 1976.

Convene State Meet In Columbia

Columbia's Mayor John T. Campbell was on hand to give South Carolina Young Farmers, wives, advisors, and guests a warm welcome to the city of Columbia. The occasion was the 27th annual convention of the S. C. Young Farmer Association.

The 27th annual convention of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers got underway recently with a luncheon for past presidents, state officers, officer candidates, and staff, at the Sheraton-Columbia Inn. The official session of the 2-day convention was opened after lunch with a welcome by Mayor John T. Campbell. Dr. D. M. Gaydon of Atlanta, who heads the pesticide branch of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, reviewed the status of current legislation and its impact on the state's farmers. Wyman Latham, Safety Supervisor for the State Department of Labor, briefed the group on what is expected of farmers under the Federal Occupational Safety Act. After a short recess a panel of experts presented the group a program entitled "THE MONEY END OF CROP AND LIVESTOCK MARKETING." Dr. George von Tungeln, Coordinator of Special Instruction Programs for the College of Agricultural Sciences at Clemson University, was moderator of the panel. Dr. D. B. Smith, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, Clemson, and Dr. J. S. Lytle, Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics, Clemson, were members of the panel. Much interest was shown in this discussion which is a very timely and important topic to all farmers under the present economic conditions.

The Farmerettes program got underway with a welcome by Margie Arant, wife of President Todd Arant. Guests were introduced by Ann Reeves. Door prizes were awarded by Ann Lee McPhail, Sharron DeWitt, Patricia Beer, Linda Mixon, and Sybil Berry, all wives of Young Farmer officers. Following the brief program the ladies boarded a bus for a tour of Greene Manor and saw many interesting demonstrations on interior decorating.

Following the afternoon session Young Farmers, wives, friends and guests gathered for the annual awards banquet to honor top producers of soybeans and corn, innovative users of farm electrification, the top chapters in 1974, and the Young Farmer of the Year.

This picture shows a portion of the Young Farmer officers, past presidents, officer candidates, and wives, attending the opening luncheon at the recent convention of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers in Columbia. The luncheon was sponsored by Helena Chemical Company of West Columbia.

YOUNG FARMERS RECOGNIZE

Outstanding Accomplishments

BLUE RIBBON CHAPTERS

Representatives of the top Young Farmer chapters in South Carolina for 1974 were on hand to receive awards at the recent Young Farmer Convention in Columbia. They are shown, left to right, Jimmy Forrest, Vice President, Saluda chapter; C. E. Berry, Jr., President, Batesburg-Leesville chapter; Ronald Hill, President, St. John's chapter, Darlington; and Robert Shuler, a member of the Bowman chapter. Dr. R. A. Darr, right, presented the plaques and awards on behalf of the Federal Land and Federal Intermediate Credit Banks of Columbia and Production Credit Associations of South Carolina. The St. John's chapter was selected as the outstanding chapter in South Carolina for 1974. Chapter advisors for the top chapters are Bill Whitfield, Saluda; David Bouknight, Batesburg-Leesville; G. S. McKenzie, St. John's Darlington; and H. L. Beach, Bowman.

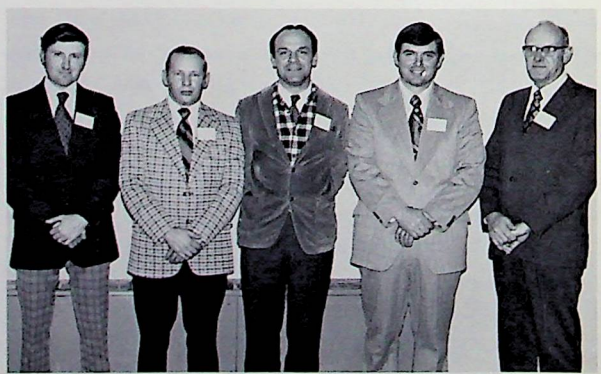
The purpose of this award is to encourage local chapters throughout the state to plan and conduct challenging programs for all the members. The state winner received $200 cash and a plaque and district winners received $75 cash and a plaque.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARMERS

John W. Davis, right, presented the awards to the winners of the 1974 Young Farmer of the Year contest on behalf of Kaiser Agricultural Chemicals, Savannah, Ga. and the S. C. Association of Young Farmers, who jointly sponsor this award.

This award is designed to recognize Young Farmers throughout the state who have made outstanding progress toward becoming successfully established in farming. Establishment of a home, participation in Young Farmer activities, outstanding leadership qualities and activities are also considered.

Each district winner received an engraved tray and $50 cash. An engraved bowl and $300 went to the state winner. Appearing above, left to right, are: Edward L. Hogan, Jr., Dixie chapter, Iva, C. W. Clement, advisor; Jack B. Johnson, Pelion chapter, Freddie Waltz, advisor; Ben Williamson, Darlington chapter, G. S. McKenzie, advisor; and state winner Alva Whetsell, Jr., Bowman chapter, H. L. Beach, advisor.



At Annual Awards Banquet

ELECTRIFICATION WINNERS

Winners of the S. C. Young Farmer Association's farm and home electrification contest for 1974 were honored recently at an awards banquet. On hand to receive the awards were district winners, left to right, Jimmy Forrest, Saluda chapter, W. A. Whitefield, advisor; Dan Alt, Chester chapter, Allen Beer, advisor; John R. Arnold, St. John's chapter, Darlington, G. S. McKenzie, advisor; and state winner George Robert Shuler, Bowman chapter, H. L. Beach, advisor. Donald S. Morris, right, Director of Agricultural Services, Carolina Power and Light Company, presented the awards on behalf of his company, Duke Power Company and S. C. Electric and Gas Company. District winners received $100 cash and an engraved plaque and the state winner received $200 and a plaque.

The purpose of this award is to encourage Young Farmers in the study and efficient use of electricity on the farm.

SOYBEAN CHAMPS

District winners in the 5-acre Young Farmer soybean contest are shown, left to right: Jimmy Drake, Crescent chapter, H. S. Clinkscales, advisor, 33.82 Bu/A, and W. C. Stevenson, Jr., Chester chapter, Allen Beer, advisor, 31.02 Bu/A. Shown, third from left, receiving the award for M. G. Heriot, Pinewood-Furman chapter, 40.85 Bu/A is his advisor, Eugene Chastain. M. C. Baker, advisor of the St. George chapter, is shown, second from right, receiving the award for the state's top Young Farmer soybean producer in South Carolina for 1974, J. C. Reeves, Jr., whose yield was 63.8 Bu/A. F. D. Martin, of Raleigh, North Carolina, extreme right, presented the awards on behalf of FCX, Inc.

The purpose of this award is to encourage Young Farmers to increase soybean yields through the use of quality seed, adequate fertilization, and improved agricultural practices.

FCX presented an engraved plaque and $200 to the state winner and a plaque and $100 to the district winners.

Guest Speaker

Wendell L. Watterson, Jr. was the guest speaker for the Young Farmer awards banquet. Watterson's topic was "The Mayor of Morrow" (Morrow, Ga.). He is a prominent entertainer. His stories, imitations and antics delighted the 375 Young Farmers and guests in attendance. (Watterson appeared courtesy of Pioneer Hybrid, Inc.)

TOP CORN PRODUCERS

Marion Hawkins, extreme right, sales manager for Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company, Hartsville, presents awards to the four top producers in the Young Farmer 3-acre corn contest for 1974. They are, left to right, Tolbert Mitchell, Saluda chapter, 130.67 bushels/acre, W. A. Whitfield, advisor; Charles Poole, Pelion chapter, 92.2 bushels/acre, Freddie Waltz, advisor; Wayne Martin, Darlington chapter, G. S. McKenzie, advisor; and state winner Alva Whetsell, Jr., Bowman chapter, 187.9 bushels/acre, H. L. Beach, advisor. The three district winners received a $50 cash award and a plaque and the state winner, Whetsell, received $100 and a state plaque.

Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company sponsors this competition to encourage Young Farmers to increase corn yields through the use of high quality seed, adequate fertilization, and improved agricultural practices.

VARIETY SHOW

Emcee — Bob McGee, WDIX, Orangeburg

Coordinator — Ellen Easterlin, Bowman

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Jack E. Cummings presented the State Young Farmer membership and attendance awards on behalf of Southern Grain and Storage Distributors of Ruffin. Mayewood chapter received the state award for having the largest membership increase during the year. Jimmy Keels is Mayewood's president and Grady Fincher is advisor. The Pelion chapter had the largest percentage increase in membership. Aubrey Poole is president and Freddie Waltz, advisor. The Colleton County chapter received the convention attendance award for having the largest attendance at the State Convention. Wayne Ackerman is president and Dennis Haltiwanger, advisor. Each of the chapters was presented $50 cash by the sponsor. The purpose of these awards is to encourage chapters to increase membership affiliation with the State Association.

PRESIDENT'S FAMILY HONORED

The Doug Reeves family of St. George has been named the South Carolina Farmers Home Administration "Farm Family of the Year," which qualifies them to compete for the "National Farm Family of the Year," according to E. W. Brooks, State Director of the FmHa. Doug is the State President of the South Carolina Young Farmers Association. He and his wife Ann, son Len, and daughter Ruth, are shown in the photo above.

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$100 cash and silver tray to top Young Farmer in each district
$300 and silver bowl to State Young Farmer-of-the-Year
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Outstanding Chapter Award

First place in each district — $100 cash and an engraved plaque
Top chapter in state — $200 cash and engraved plaque
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Farm and Home Electrification Award

$100 cash to the winner in each district
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5-acre Soybean Production Award

$75 cash and engraved plaque to top Young Farmer in each district
$200 cash and engraved plaque to state winner
Sponsored by FCX, Incorporated

3-acre Corn Contest

$50 cash to top producers in each district
$100 cash to top producer in state
Sponsored by Coker Pedigreed Seed Company

Young Farmer Chapter Membership Awards

$50 cash to chapter with largest member increase
$50 cash to chapter with largest percentage increase

Convention Attendance Award

The Young Farmer chapter with the largest attendance at the State Convention receives $50 cash
Sponsored by Southern Grain Storage Distributors

General Rules of Eligibility

In order to participate in the awards program sponsored by the South Carolina Association of Young Farmers the chapter must be in good standing with the state association. Membership dues with the names and addresses of members must be in the district office by May 31. Individual members submitting dues after May 31 will not be eligible to participate.

Young Farmer members past the age of 40 as of May 31 are not eligible to participate in the awards program or serve as state officers. For details concerning any of the above awards contact your advisor.

CHAPTER ASSISTANCE AWARDS

Todd Arant, left, presents the Chapter Assistance Award to the Pelion chapter's president Aubrey Poole as his advisor, Freddie Waltz, looks on. This award is $25 cash and a plaque for assisting former affiliated chapters to become reaffiliated with the State Association. This is a new award this year sponsored by the State Association. Pelion received this recogntion for assisting the Gilbert chapter to become reaffiliated.

FORMER ADVISOR HONORED

H. E. McCracken, long time teacher of vocational agriculture at Bluffton High School, now Deputy Superintendent of Beaufort County Schools, was named "Conservation Man of the Year" by the S. C. Association of Conservation Districts at their recent annual state conference. For a number of years McCracken has served as commissioner of the Beaufort-Jasper Conservation District. Old timers will also remember him as supervisor of the Bluffton FFA Camp. (Photo courtesy S. C. Land Resources Commission)

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